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Listing of Claims

- 1. (Original) A method for concurrently presenting multiple content types on a video platform comprising:
 - a) receiving a first content associated with a first content type;
 - b) receiving a second content associated with a second content type; and
- c) concurrently presenting the first content and the second content to the user via the video platform.
- 2. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein the video platform is an interactive television platform.
 - 3. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 2, further including: before step b), receiving a user command to select the second content.
- 4. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 3 wherein the first content and the second content are combined to form a composite screen.
- 5. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 4 wherein the first content is advertisement content.
- 6. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 5 wherein the second content is selected from the group consisting of information content, electronic mail content, downloadable file content, and program content.
- 7. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 4 wherein the first content is program content.
- 8. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 7 wherein the second content is selected from the group consisting of information content, electronic mail content, downloadable file content, and advertisement content.

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- 9. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 4 wherein the second content includes text with a transparent background and overlays at least a portion of the first content.
- 10. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 4 wherein the second content includes at least one graphics object and overlays at least a portion of the first content.
- 11. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 10 wherein the second content is translucent.
- 12. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 4 wherein the second content includes at least one video object and overlays at least a portion of the first content.
- 13. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 12 wherein the second content is translucent.
- 14. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein the first content is program content.
- 15. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 14 wherein the second content is audio advertisement content.
- 16. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 15 wherein the first content includes an audio portion and a video portion, which audio portion is not required to understand the video portion.
- 17. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 15 wherein the first content does not include an audio portion.
- 18. (Currently Amended) A video platform for concurrently presenting multiple content types, comprising:

- a means (18, 70) for receiving a first content associated with a first content type; a means (18, 70) for receiving a second content associated with a second content type; and
- a means (20, 22, 24) for concurrently presenting the first content and the second content in a human viewable display.
- 19. (Currently Amended) The television platform as set forth in claim 18, further including:
 - a means (26) for receiving a user command to select the second content.
- 20. (Currently Amended) The television platform as set forth in claim 18, further including:
- a means-(26) for combining the first content and the second content in a composite screen, the human viewable display of the second content including a transparent background and overlaying at least a portion of the human viewable display of the first content.